The feasibility study has been conducted by the KSTDC and the project is to be commissioned by them.

Provision of trollies at Delhi Railway Stations

†1959. PROF. RAM DEO BHANDARY: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government would provide trollies at three major railway stations — New Delhi,Old Delhi and Nizamuddin in Delhi so that passengers could carry their luggage on the said trollies and levy nominal charges on maintenance of such trollies; and

(b) if so, the scheme of Government in this regard and if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI BASANAGOUDA R. PATIL): (a) No, Sir.

(b) These trolleys are not likely to be useful at the above three stations on account of design of the stations.

Vacancies in Railways

1960. SHRI LALIT SURI: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether there are over 70,000 vacancies in the Indian Railways at present, which is adversely affecting efficiency in the Railways;

(b) the number of vacancies as on 30th November, 2003, zone-wise and cadre-wise; and

(c) The steps taken/proposed to fill these vacancies so as to bring the situation to the level of normalcy to the extent possible?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI BASANAGOUDA R. PATIL): (a) to (c) The Hon'ble Member is probably referring to the vacancies in Safety, Security and Operational Categories. Occurrence of vacancies due to retirement/superannuation, resignation etc. being a continuous process, there are bound to be a few vacancies

†Original notice of the question was received in Hindi.